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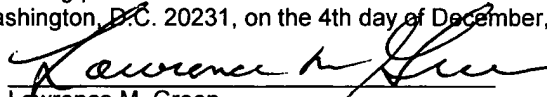
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Marc Hamel et al.  
Serial No: 09/865,404  
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Sir:

In response to the Notice To File Missing Parts Of Nonprovisional Application, Filing Date Granted, mailed on July 26, 2001, transmitted herewith for filing are the following

- [X] Copy of Notice To File Missing Parts Of Nonprovisional Application
- [X] Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449, References Cited, and Statement Pursuant To Applicants' Duty Of Disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56
- [X] Letter To Official Draftsperson, Including 24 Sheets of Drawings
- [X] Declaration
- [X] Petition For 3 Month Extension Of Time
- [X] Return Receipt Postcard

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 720-3500, Boston, Massachusetts.

A check in the amount of 1,050.00 is enclosed to cover the Missing Parts fee and the Petition For Extension Of Time. If the amount is insufficient, the balance may be charged to the account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. ( 5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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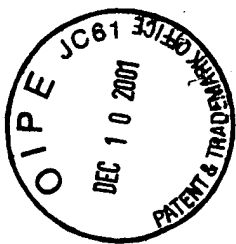
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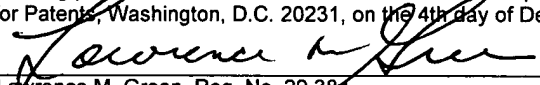
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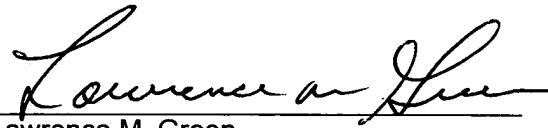
Sir:

In response to the Notice To File Missing Parts Of Nonprovisional Application, dated July 26, 2001, enclosed herewith are 24 new sheets of formal drawings, Figs. 1-35.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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